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**For:** METHODS OF ADMINISTERING  
LACTOBACILLUS INERS FOR THE  
ENHANCEMENT OF UROGENITAL  
HEALTH      **Dated:** December 19, 2006

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2006, setting forth a requirement for restriction and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, urogenital flora as specifically named bacterial flora, *L. rhamnosus* as specifically named second probiotic organism, and oral administration as specifically named method of administration, for further prosecution.

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